

(Washington, DC)— Congresswoman Gwen Moore announced today that Wisconsin's Fourth District would receive \$550,000 in funds for key programs from the Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations bill, which is expected to pass the U.S. House of Representatives this week.

"These funds will go a long way in providing vital job training, health care and education to Milwaukee communities," Congresswoman Gwen Moore said. "This money will help train our youth in trades that can boost their future, provide a safe after-school environment for our children and allow a growing nurses program increase its services to the community."

Congresswoman Moore secured the following funds for a total of \$550,000:

- \$100K for Milwaukee Public Schools to conduct after school programs in the summer
- \$70K for Northcott Neighborhood House to provide youth training in the construction industry
- \$100K for Cardinal Stritch University to expand a nursing outreach program.
- \$75K for America's Black Holocaust Museum for exhibits and educational programs
- \$205K for Housing Authority of the City of Milwaukee to conduct a youth apprenticeship program.

Milwaukee Public Schools, Wisconsin's largest school district, would receive \$100,000 to support its Community Learning Centers in providing educational summer programs for kids in Kindergarten to 12th grades. The programs provide activities in the arts, sports and fitness, cooperative learning games, puzzles, word games and experiences that build on a wide diversity of cultural and ethnic groups.

"I hear so often from parents and kids who tell me how much they value our Community Learning Center program as a safe environment where kids can have fun as they continue to learn. I am glad to work to obtain funding to make sure this school-year program continues throughout the summer," Moore said.

The Northcott Neighborhood House, a nonprofit community center that promotes good parenting and a safe place for youth after school, on weekends and in the summer, would receive \$70,000 for a youth education and training program. Providing an opportunity for Fourth District youth to boost their job skills, kids would participate in building a house and learning construction skills that would help with employment later in life. Additionally, the youth would receive high school equivalency exam preparation, counseling, leadership development, and job placement assistance.

Helping to provide better access to health care for District 4 residents, Cardinal Stritch University would receive \$100,000 for a nursing outreach program at Berryland – a Department of Housing and Urban Development-sponsored housing community serving African Americans in central Milwaukee. These funds would help the University gain necessary equipment for their health clinic. The nursing program intends to fully fund its costs after startup and make the clinic a permanent site for services for neighborhood residents, relieving part of the burden placed on a local overworked emergency room and bringing better health care to the District.

America's Black Holocaust Museum will receive \$75,000 to upgrade technology in its education

departments so as to provide residents with expanded access and more tools to learn from the museum. The museum focuses on teaching visitors about the injustices suffered by people of African American heritage, while providing an opportunity to rethink assumptions about race and racism. The funds will go to upgrading technology in its education departments, such as improving computer systems and applications and invest in a wireless Internet connection. Additionally, the museum would add several interactive media kiosks for its education programs.

The Housing Authority of the City of Milwaukee, which provides quality, safe and affordable housing and economic opportunities for people in Milwaukee's neighborhoods, will receive \$205,000 to fund a youth apprenticeship program for youth ages 18-24 to train them in construction trades. Filling a need to teach underprivileged youth valuable trades, the program will provide critical job training for youth in the Fourth District, as well as an opportunity for employment after graduation. The goal of the project is to train 15-20 at-risk young adults and provide classroom education and leadership skills for employment or apprenticeships after graduation.

"I am dedicated to joining together with residents in their efforts to improve the Fourth District. Step by step, day by day, we can continue to improve Milwaukee and its surrounding areas by offering new opportunities for economic progress. This money will boost job training for underprivileged youth, improve our educational opportunities for kids and adults, and provide better access to health care for our residents." Moore said.

If the Labor-HHS-Education bill passes the House as expected, it will go to the Senate.

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